



## DVD-R/RAM Drive



## **Installation Manual**

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Thank you for purchasing a Pacific Digital product. In this manual, you will find information designed to help you understand the capability of your new DVD-R/RAM drive, as well as a step-by-step explanation of how to install your product.

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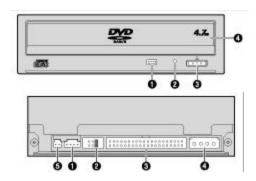
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## **Parts and Functions**



## **Front Panel**

#### 1. Operation indicator lamp

Off: No disc inside.

Steady Green: Disc inserted in DVD-R/RAM drive.

Steady Orange: Recording, playback or tray opening/closing.

Flashing Green: Error.

#### 2. Manual eject hold

Used to manually eject the tray in an event when it will not open normally.

#### 3. Open/close button

#### 4. Shutter or tray

## **Rear Panel**

#### 1. AUDIO output connector

For connecting the internal audio cable

#### 2. Jumper connector

For setting the DVD-R/RAM to Master/Slave/Cable Select

#### 3. IDE connector

For connecting the internal IDE cable

#### 4. Power supply connector

For connecting the power cable from the computer

#### 5. Digital AUDIO connector

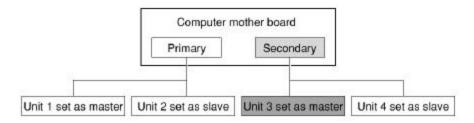
## **Settings and connections**

#### **Connection example**

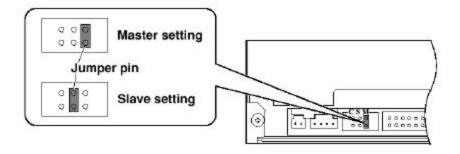
Computer motherboards have two IDE interface connectors: a Primary and a Secondary.

You can connect a total of four units to the motherboard: one Master and one Slave IDE unit to the Primary and Secondary connector.

We recommend connecting the DVD-R/RAM drive as Secondary Master.



**NOTE:** This unit is set as a Master at the time of shipment.



NOTE: Some Compaq, HP, or Dell computers use Cable Select which is the third set of jumpers on the left side. Please refer to your Computer Manual if you have one of these types of computers.

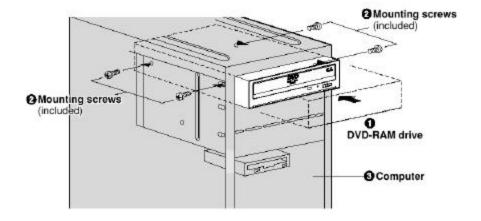
#### **Caution:**

Do not mount the jumper pin sideways or in any position other than specified. This can cause the unit to malfunction.



## Connecting the DVD-R/RAM

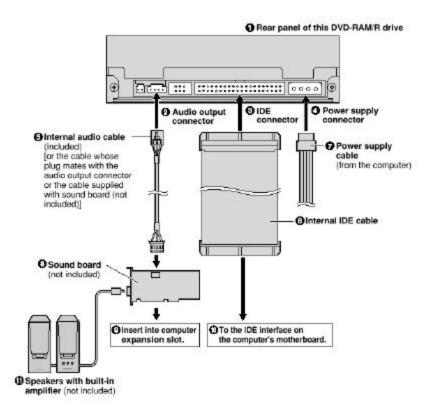
Mounting screw holes are located in four places on the right and left panels of the DVD-R/RAM drive. When securing the DVD-R/RAM drive into a computer secure the DVD-R/RAM drive firmly in place with the four mounting screws included in this kit:



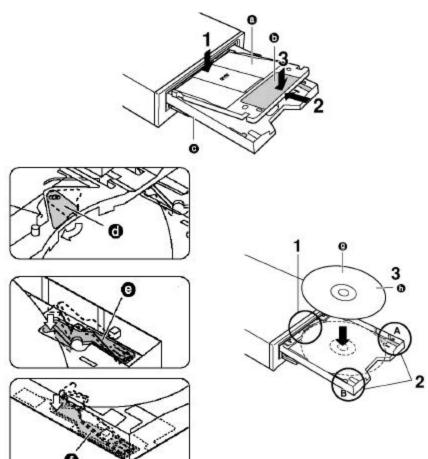
#### **NOTE:**

Only use the screws included in the DVD-R/RAM kit. (Using screws with a different length or diameter may damage the DVD-R/RAM drive.)

## Connecting the cables



# Inserting a DVD-RAM or DVD-R



DVD-RAM discs	DVD-R discs
A: DVD-RAM discs B: Label C: Tray	D: Stopper E: Disc Holder A F: Disc Holder B G: Label
<ol> <li>Insert so the label-side is facing up.</li> <li>Push the DVD-RAM about 2cm towards the DVD-R/RAM drive.</li> <li>Press gently so the DVD-RAM disc sits firmly on the tray.</li> </ol>	<ol> <li>H: DVD-R</li> <li>Fold away the stopper.</li> <li>Lower the disc holders.</li> <li>Load the disc inside the disc guides.</li> </ol>

## Installing the software

The following programs are supplied on the DVD Burner Bundle and Format disc.

#### 1. Format / Driver Software

#### The Driver Software must be installed.

All of the software programs listed below are installed when you run the installation program.

#### **Driver Software**

A program that allows the DVD-R/RAM drive to be used in a Windows? environment, and to allow reading from and writing to UDF format discs.

#### **DVDForm** – (**DVD Formatting Software**)

Software to format DVD-RAM discs in UDF or FAT.

#### **DVDRgn** – (**DVD Region Setting Software**)

Allows you to set the region number for DVDs.

#### 2. DVD Burner Bundle

Install applications as you require.

#### **NeoDVD** – (**DVD** Burning Software)

Designed specifically for the home camcorder user, **NeoDVD**standard offers a complete, real-time, end-to-end software solution for camcorder users to easily capture, edit, compress, author and burn DVD files onto their recordable CD and DVD drives. With no video processing experience, the average camcorder user can quickly and easily create broadcast-quality videos right from their home PC.

#### WinDVD – (DVD Player Software)

WinDVD uses the power of the PC to bring DVDs to life. WinDVD combines the best picture and sound with advanced features only possible on a PC - time stretching lets you watch movies faster with natural audio, thumbnail bookmarks to instantly find your favorite scenes, fully-adjustable zoom and pan, and much more.

#### **Muvee – (DVD Editing Software)**

Muvee autoProducer is the world's only smart automatic video editing solution. You can now capture and create compelling video without the learning curve and long hours needed for traditional video editing tools.

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# Accessing DVD-RAM discs recorded on a DVD VIDEO Recorder

When you record onto a DVD-RAM disc with a DVD video Recorder, a DVD video camera, computer software that follows the "Video Recording Standards" developed by the DVD Forum, a folder labeled "DVD\_RTAV", in which all the relative video recording standard files are stored, is created. Do not access this folder and the files it contains with a computer.

Some of the files inside this folder exceed 2 GB. Due to limitations Windows 98, such files cannot be copied and their size may not be displayed correctly. If any of the files are erased or changed, you may not be able to play the video on a DVD video recorder or with the video software for computer.

#### NOTE:

The region numbers on the DVD-R/RAM drive must match the region number on the DVD-VIDEO disc.

When this DVD-R/RAM drive was shipped, the region number was set to "1" (LF-D321U) or "2" (FL-D321E) to match the region number on the DVD-VIDEO disc sold in your region. Therefore it is normally unnecessary to change the region number setting. Use the included DVDRgn software to change the region number setting on the DVD-R/RAM drive.



This mark indicates the region number of a DVD-VIDEO disc. It is displayed on the jacket of a DVD-VIDEO disc.

## **Handling discs**

Data may not be written correctly or data that has already been written may be damaged if these discs are not handled correctly. Incorrect handling may also damage your drive.

Carefully read these instructions and instructions that came with your disc.

We recommend using DVD-RAM discs in cartridges when reading or writing important data.

PDC herewith declares that it will not be liable for any loss of data or any other damage, whether direct of indirect, caused by the operation or malfunctioning of this product. Backup important data to protect it.

#### Handling TYPE1, TYPE2, and TYPE4 DVD-RAM discs

#### Handling notes:

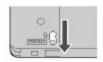
Do not touch the disc surface.

Do not drop, bend or place heavy objects on the DVD-RAM discs.

Do not incinerate the cartridge.

#### **Preventing loss of information**

To prohibit writing





Backing up data just as with a hard disk or floppy disk, PDC recommends that you backup data at regular intervals.

Keep the cartridges in their cases (when they are not being used)

Remove the cartridge from the DVD-RAM drive and store it in its case.



## Handling discs (non-cartridge)

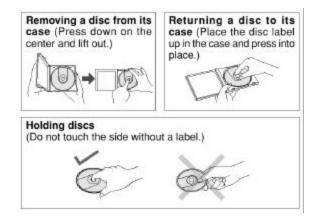
#### Handling non-cartridge type DVD-RAM discs and DVD-R discs

#### Handling notes (the \* applies to DVD-RAM discs only)

When removing a disc from its case, press on the center part and lift the disc free. When returning the disc to its case, face the label up and press the disc into place.

Hold discs by the center hold and outer edge.

Do not touch the side used for writing data.



Fingerprints, dirt, dust, and scratches on the recording surface of discs can affect the reading and writing of data.

Write on the label side of the disc only with a soft, oil-based felt pen. Do not use ballpoint pens or other hard writing implements.

Do not attach additional labels or stickers.

To protect discs from dust and scratches, return them to their cases or cartridges when you are not using them.

Do not drop, stack or impact discs. Do not place objects on discs. Operational characteristics can be degraded if undue pressure is applied to discs.

- \* Use the write-protect setting to protect your data.
- \* You cannot write on 2.6 GB DVD-RAM discs (LM-DB26) removed from TYPE2 cartridges. To write on them, return to their cartridges.

Insert non-cartridge discs the same way as you would insert CDs or DVD-ROM discs.

## Handling discs (DVD-ROM, CD-ROM)

#### Handling DVD-ROM, CD-ROM and other CD/DVD discs.

#### Do not place in the following locations:

Hot or humid locations or where they will be exposed to direct sunlight.

Locations susceptible to significant differences in temperature.

#### **Handling notes:**

Do not soil or damage them.

Do not drop or bend them.

Do not write on or adhere labels to them.

#### How to remove a disc from its case

Refer to page 16.

#### How to place a disc in its case

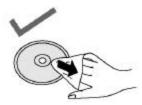
Refer to page 16.

#### How to hold a disc

Refer to page 16.

#### What to do when a disc is dirty

Wipe the disc using a soft lint-free cloth, which has been dipped in distilled water, and then wipe with a dry lint-free cloth. The disc must be wiped from the inside towards the outside.





## **Drive Specifications**

4.7 GB / 9.4 GB DVD-RAM (rewritable)

Capacity: 2.6 GB / 5.2 GB DVD-RAM (rewritable)

4.7 GB DVD-R General Use (write-once)

Data Transfer Rate

(IF Interface):

Rate:

Ultra DMA Mode 2 : max. 33.3 MB / s PIO Mode 4: max. 16.6 MB / s

4.7 GB DVD-RAM: 1,385 KB with verifying

Write Data Transfer

2.6 GB DVD-RAM: 690 KB with verifying 4.7 GB DVD-R: 1,385 KB with verifying

DVD-RAM (4.7 GB): 2,770 KBps (2x) DVD-RAM (2.6 GB): 1,385 KBps (1x)

Read Transfer Rate: DVD-ROM: 3,438 KBps - 8,310 KBps (Max 6x)

CD-ROM / CD-R: 1,520 KBps – 3,600 KBps (Max 24x) CD-RW: 1,800 KBps (Max 12x)

DVD-RAM: 75ms

Average Seek Time: DVD-ROM / DVD-R, CD-ROM: 65ms

4.7 GB DVD-RAM

Write Compatibility: 2.6 GB DVD-RAM

4.7 GB DVD-R (for General Ver.2.0)

CD-DA\*1, CD-ROM / XA, Photo CD, Video CD, CD-Extra,

CD-R \*2 \*3, CD-RW \*2 \*3 at max. 24x, DVD-ROM, DVD-R

Read Compatibility: \*2 \*4, DVD-Video, at max 6x, DVD-RAM (4.7 GB at 2x, 2.6

GB at 1x)

Buffer Capacity: 1 MB

Power Supply: 12 V/5 V? 5%

Dimensions

(W x H x D): 146 x 41.3 x 196 mm 5.75" x 1.63" x 7.72"

Weight: 1.1 kg (2.4 lbs.)

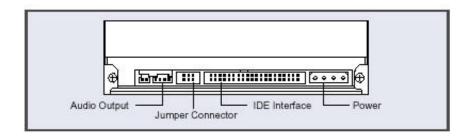
<sup>\*1</sup> CD-G not supported.

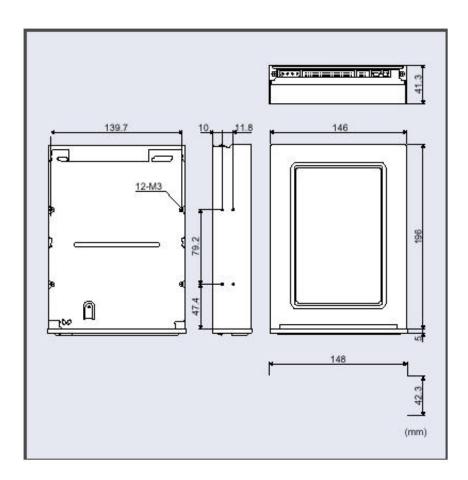
<sup>\*2</sup> Playback of DVD-R, CD-R, and CD-RW may not be fully performed depending on the writing conditions of the discs.

<sup>\*3</sup> Supports MultiRead for CD-R and CD-RW.

<sup>\*4</sup> Supports discs with a capacity of 3.95GB that are written with the disk-at-once option.

# Rear View & External Dimensions





# Troubleshooting

When this occurs	Possible cause
	1 Ossible Cause
Tray fails to open:	Is the computer on? Has the power supply cable been connected correctly? Has the label of the media peeled off?
Tray fails to close:	Has the disc been inserted correctly?
	Has the drive's master/slave jumper pin been set correctly?
Computer fails to work:	Are the drive and computer connected correctly? Has a floppy disk been left inside the computer?
Drive cannot be accessed normally:	Are the drive and computer connected correctly? Is the device driver software installed correctly?
Drive is not recognized in Windows:	Is the device driver installed correctly?
Cannot read or write DVD-RAM disc:	Did you initialize (format) the DVD-RAM disc? Did you access the drive letter assigned to the drive? Did you insert a single-sided DVD-RAM disc with the label side facing up? Is the DVD-RAM disc dirty?
Discs cannot be read:	Did you access the drive letter assigned to the drive? Only supported disc formats can be read. Is the disc inserted correctly so that the operation lamp turns green? Are you using correct software programs for playing discs? Is the disc dirty, scratched, cracked, warped, and written on the surface or is a label put on the disc? Does the driver's region number match the number of the disc you are using?

## **Notes and Information**

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